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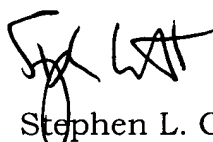
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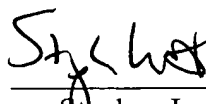
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This Information Disclosure Statement is filed within three months after the filing date of the patent application, so it is timely under the rules. 37 CFR 1.97(c). If any fee is required, please charge it to Deposit Account 15-0450.

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Fifty-seven (57) U.S. patents and fifteen (15) foreign patent documents are listed on the attached three (3) sheets of Form PTO/SB/08A, which are made a part hereof.

Because this case is a continuation of Ser. No. 09/614,815, filed 12 July 2000, most of the references cited in the sheets of Form PTO/SB/08A were cited in the parent

application and there is no requirement to provide an additional copy at this time, per MPEP 2001.06(b). However, please note that US Patent 5,343,812 to Ishida (6 September 1994) is a reference of which the applicants have only recently become aware. As it relates to articulated vehicles, the applicant believes that it should be considered with respect to this application.

The foregoing Information Disclosure Statement is based upon the information known to the inventor or contained in the undersigned attorney's file as of the filing date of this statement and is inclusive of the best information known to each of the undersigned at that date. Prompt consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement and the references by the Examiner is earnestly requested.

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